

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Dieter Katzer

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**For:** AERATOR OF A PLUMBING FIXTURE

**Group:** 3752

**Examiner:** Steven J. Ganey

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**REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

This Reply is being timely filed in response to the Office Action dated April 23, 2010.

Please amend the application without prejudice as noted in detail below.